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SUBJECT: ASSISTANCE FROM G.P.O. - DRUG ACTION
COMMITTEE OF CITY OF CAIRNS ORDER FOR
PUBLICATIONS

REF: A. BRISBANE TELEGRAM 14, OF JAN. 23

B. U.S. G.P.O. TELEGRAM OF JAN 28

C. BRISBANE TELEGRAM 21, OF JAN. 30

D. STATE TELEGRAM 023077, OF JAN. 30

1. CONSULATE IS CONFUSED BY REFTEL (D) EXPLAINING
DIFFICULTIES G.P.O. FACES IN TRACKING THIS ORDER,
AS WELL AS REQUIREMENT FOR SUBMISSION OF NEW ORDER
AND PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF
COVER SHIPPING COSTS.

2. MAIN CAUSE OF CONFUSION IS THAT TWO DAYS BEFORE
RECEIPT OF REFTEL(D) POST RECEIVED DIRECT TELEGRAM
FROM G.P.O. DATED JANUARY 28 (REFTER B) STATING
THAT SHIPMENT HAD BEEN MADE ON JANUARY 28 BY
FOURTH CLASS MAIL. TELEGRAM ALSO ASKED POST TO
CONFIRM IF REMITTANCE HAD BEEN SENT BY CHECK DRAWN
ON AMERICAN BANK AND IF G.P.O. HAD IN FACT COLLECTED
THIS MONEY.

3. POST RESPONDED WITH REFTEL (C) PROVIDING
CONFIRMATION FROM AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND
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BANKING GROUP THAT DRAFT WAS REMITTED BY CHECK

DRAWN ON RIGGS NATIONAL BANK OF WASHINGTON D.C.
PAYABLE TO G.P.O. ALSO ADVISED G.P.O. TO ENQUIRE
OF RIGGS NATIONAL BANK IF THEIR OFFICE HAD COLLECTED
MONEY, AS THIS IS NORMAL AND FASTEST MEANS OF
MAKING SUCH A CHECK.

4. THIS ANSWERED QUESTIONS RAISED IN G.P.O. S
TELEGRAM (REFTEL B). EVEN THOUGH PURCHASER WILL BE
DISPLEASED THAT ORDER SHIPPED FOURTH CLASS MAIL
AFTER HE SPECIFICALLY ASKED TWICE FOR AIRMAIL
POST FELT WE COULD AT LEAST INFORM HIM HIS ORDER
DESPATCHED.

5. WE HAVE NOW RECEIVED REFTTEL (D) WHICH GIVES
NO INDICATION THAT ORDER HAS BEEN DESPATCHED OR
IN FACT CAN BE UNTIL PURCHASER PROVIDES CANCELLED
CHECK OR SUBMITS NEW ORDER. POST IS ALSO CURIOUS
TO KNOW IF TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF ORDER COST FOR
SHIPPING IS TO PAY FOR AIR FREIGHT IF GOODS ARE
SENT THAT WAY, OR IS REQUIRED IN ADDITION TO PAY
FOR FOURTH CLASS MAIL IF IN FACT ORDER ALREADY
SHIPPED BY THAT MEANS.

6. POST WILL APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE TO CLARIFY
THIS MATTER AND PROVIDE DEFINITE ANSWER TO PASS
ON TO CITY OF CAIRNS DRUG ACTION COMMITTEE.
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